

## State of Utah DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING

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April 10, 2001

CERTIFIED RETURN RECEIPT 7000 0520 0021 7582 8920

William R. Wilson Basin Perlite Company 1776 Lincoln Street, Suite 900 Denver, Colorado 80203

Re: <u>Formal Approval of Form and Amount of Replacement Reclamation Surety, Basin Perlite Company,</u> Pearl Queen Perlite Mine, M/001/027, Beaver County, Utah

Dear Mr. Wilson:

On March 21, 2001, we received a replacement surety bond #\$\frac{1}{2}\$ issued by American Manufacturers Mutual Insurance Company in the amount of \$40,800. On March 28, 2001 we received the replacement Reclamation Contract that this surety bond is tied to. These documents were meant to replace the existing \$40,800 surety bond #\$\frac{1}{2}\$ issued by AmWest Surety Insurance Company. On April 3, 2001, the Director of the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining formally approved and executed the replacement documents.

Enclosed, please find copies of the fully signed and executed Reclamation Contract and surety bond forms for your files. We have enclosed the original AmWest Surety Insurance Company bond and the original Reclamation Contract dated March 9, 2000, for your disposal.

We have published tentative approval in the local area newspapers for the Pearl Queen Perlite permit revision. The public comment period will end on April 30, 2001. The \$40,800 surety amount will need to be revised before final approval of the permit revision is granted. We would also prefer to adjust this surety bond to cover the reclamation costs for the Milford Millsite once the new permit amendment is finalized. Please call me at (801) 538-5286 if you have any questions in this regard.

Sincerely.

D. Wayne Hedberg Permit Supervisor

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Enclosure: #1 - American Manuf. Surety Bond # RC

#2 - AmWest Surety Bond # R R

Jay Gatten, North American Exploration

Will Stokes, SITLA w/Encl #1 Mary Ann Wright, DOGM

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